

## Albert District News

**ALBERT**  
A group from the Albert W.I. met at the Griffiths home on Wednesday, January 15th to complete a second quilt for overseas.  
A shower honoring Mrs. E. Larson was held at the home of Mrs. R. A. Larson. The young bride received many useful gifts. A tasty lunch was served by the ladies.  
The young hockey players from Albert and Oxbowdale turned out last Saturday to play the Irma Pee-Wees. The locals brought home the bacon with a 4-0 score. A. Carter refereed.  
Seven tables of whist were played at the school on Friday. Prizes of war savings stamps went to Mrs. W. E. Ramsay and O. Griffiths.  
Mr. J. Hardy is visiting with friends and relatives in the district.

## Wedding Bells

**ELLIOTT — LOCKHART**  
A quiet wedding was solemnized Jan. 6th at 2:00 p.m. at Wainwright in the United Church by the Rev. A. D. Richards, when Margaret Levison eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lockhart of Kinsella was united in marriage to John Leslie, youngest son of Mrs. J. McCartney and the late Mr. W. E. Elliott of Irma. The bride's sister, Miss Hazel Lockhart acted as bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. Edwin Elliott acted as best man. Following the ceremony, supper was served to friends and relatives of the bride and groom. The happy couple will take up residence north of Irma.

**BATTLE RIVER M.D. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
The annual financial statement and auditor's report is published in this issue for the benefit of the ratepayers. It is printed in such a form that it can be folded for convenient use.  
The annual meeting is being held on February 15th, in Hedley's Hall, Irma, at 1 o'clock, p.m.

## The World of Wheat

**H. G. L. Strange**  
Dr. C. H. Goulden, senior agricultural scientist for the Dominion Rust Research laboratory and an acknowledged international authority on plant breeding, has kindly consented in this column this week to explain about the new registered strains of rust-resistant varieties. This is what Dr. Goulden says:  
"It is important for farmers to distinguish between certified and registered stocks. When a new variety is distributed it may be certified under the Plants Products division of the dominion government, which establishes the correct identity of the variety, but such varieties may not be registered until they have become well-established.  
When varieties are registered they have been approved by the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, and foundation stocks have been produced by plant breeders and distributed to seed growers. As a general rule foundation stocks of new varieties are increased by process of selection and testing covering a period of about three years after, which time they are increased for distribution to seed growers, and are then multiplied by seed growers and distributed to farmers as registered seed.  
The two varieties Renown and Regent are examples of varieties which have gone through this procedure, and in which definite improvement has resulted. There is an improvement in yield, earliness, straw strength, disease resistance and quality."  
"The universities of Canada are happy to give all their energies to war effort."—Dr. H. C. Cady.  
"Canada's production of aircraft now is twelve times greater than before the war began and within a year it will be tripled again."—James S. Duncan.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM KINSELLA

Mrs. B. Wachter and Doris and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Witton motored to Edmonton last week.  
A shower was held in the Kinsella Hotel on January 14 in honor of Mrs. G. McLean, a bride of this month. An extra large crowd attended. Mrs. McLean was the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts.  
Mrs. J. F. Murray spent a few days in Edmonton last week.  
Mrs. Watson returned on Friday after several days visiting at Haight with her daughter, Marion, who is teaching at that point.  
Mr. Chas. McAdams spent the week end in Edmonton.  
Miss Sophia Malik left for Holden last week. Sophia has been employed at the Kinsella hotel the past two months.  
Mrs. Nease and Michael left for Edmonton last Thursday where Michael will undergo a medical examination.  
Mrs. J. Brown and daughter of Viking are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Brown.  
Mr. Wachter and his B and B gang have been at Kinsella the past week building a new coal shed at the C.N.E. water tank.

## RODINO RED CROSS BRANCH SEND BLANKETS

The Rodino branch of the Red Cross last week sent eleven woolen blankets to the Edmonton work depot, to be sent on to the soldiers in England.  
These blankets were made from old woolen rags, gathered from the people of the district, and sent to Fairfields & Son, Woolen Mills, Winnipeg, at the cost of \$1.75 per pair for making. If 100 pounds are sent, they pay the freight.  
These blankets were found to be of very good quality and we thought it might help some other organization in their war efforts and at the same time is a splendid way of using old woolen rags.

The annual meeting of the Rodino branch of the W.A. was held January 16th at the home of Mrs. P. Muller. The officers for 1941 were returned to office by a unanimous vote. The W.A. quilt was won by John Muller.

The Rodino Red Cross held their monthly whist drive and dance on January 17 at the Rodino hall. Lucky draw for groceries was won by Mr. T. Daniel.

**EYES EXAMINED. GLASSES FITTED**  
Thos. G. Dark, registered optometrist, will be at Viking Hotel—Tuesday, January 26th, 3 to 8 p.m.  
Irma Drug Store—Wednesday morning, January 29th, 9 to 11:30.

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## Obituary.

**JOHN FRANK JAMES**

Pioneer farmer in Jarow district and a resident of Alberta for 35 years, John Frank James passed away at his home south of Jarow early Tuesday morning, January 14. He would have been 70 years old on January 21.  
Mr. James was born in Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex, England, in 1871, and came to Canada in 1905. In 1910 he married Amelia Russell of Terling, Essex, England.  
The funeral service was held in the Irma United Church on Thursday afternoon, Rev. Woodlart of Jarow conducting the service. Interment took place in the Irma cemetery.  
The pall bearers were Messrs. H. Symonds, S. Lison, O. Christenson, C. Albrecht, V. Lindberg and S. Bridgman, all members of Jarow Victory Masonic Lodge of which the deceased was a member for many years.  
He leaves to mourn his loss his loving wife, two daughters, Mrs. Harold Fuder of Irma, and Mrs. Floyd Fuder of Edmonton, and six grandchildren, also three brothers and two sisters all in England.  
Floral tributes were received from Loving Wife; Harold, Jenny and family; Floyd, Ruby and family; Arthur Russell; Bill and Bessie Russell and family; Victory Masonic Lodge No. 112, Jarow; Mr. and Mrs. Haron, Margaret and Jack of Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. F. Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. H. Halverson; Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Fuder and family; Mr. and Mrs. P. Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Larson; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fleischer; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knudson, Merle and Melvin and Mr. and Mrs. Merlyn Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halverson; Ina, Alberta and Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hedges; Ruth, Sigurd and Norman Flueg; Mrs. Tweedie and family.  
Some memorial tributes were sent by friends to Homes and Charities but we have no list of their names.

## Hockey Notes

The Irma hockey team went down to defeat last Monday evening before the Holden team in a very fast game which at time times was quite rough. Irma was handicapped by only having eight players besides the goalie. L. Hughes was absent and two others who were booked to play this winter were at Camrose taking their thirty days of military training. The forwards were R. Smith, F. Maguire, O. Hendricks, Sonoff Brothers and A. Carter; defense R. Guitner and C. Jones with McMillin in goal.  
Neither team was able to score in the first period. Holden opened the scoring in the second, M. Gordeaux and K. Robinson getting the credit. Soon afterwards R. Smith assisted by Guitner tied the score, however, before the end of the period three more goals were made by the Holden players. A. Hogan from Gordeaux, M. Gordeaux unassisted and E. Stewart from M. Gordeaux.  
Although the Irma boys worked hard in the final period to even the score they were only able to make one more, J. Sonoff assisted by A. Carter were credited with this one. Final score, Holden 4, Irma 2.  
R. L. Martin referee.  
We are sorry we were unable to obtain the names of the Holden players. We will try to do better next time.  
The Irma juniors motored over to Sedgewick on Friday, January 17, to play a return game. This turned out to be a win for Sedgewick, 2-1, and was a good fast game. Owing to the roads becoming drifted while they were away, considerable difficulty was experienced between Hardisty and Irma, delaying their return home quite a length of time.  
Never press a quilt while it is damp. It is apt to become stiff if you do. Wash quilts in mild soap suds and water. Rinse them thoroughly and hang them, dripping, in the shade to dry. Then press them on the wrong side with a warm, not hot, iron.  
Why spend a lot of valuable time hunting for your stray animals when a small want ad in this paper will locate them for you nine times out of ten?

## WAINWRIGHT HOSPITAL BOARD HOLD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Wainwright municipal hospital was held on Saturday last with Trustees Fuller, Collette, Bleasdale, Gould and Gardiner present.  
On the motion of Trustee Bleasdale the minutes of the last meeting were adopted as read.  
Moved by Trustee Collette.—That an increase of 50c per day be charged to patients requiring the use of electric hot plates.—carried.  
Moved by Trustee Collette.—That the amount of \$2,580.00 be placed in the reserve for bad debts.—carried.  
Moved by Trustee Gardiner.—That a wash basin be purchased for the nurses' quarters. Cd.  
Moved by Trustee Collette.—That Dispensaries Ltd. be notified that the board consider it unwise to sign the contract at present. Cd.  
Moved by Trustee Gardiner.—That 300 copies of the annual balance sheet be printed, and also that a copy of the balance sheet be published in the Wainwright Star and the Irma Times for the issue. Cd.  
Moved by Trustee Collette.—That Miss G. Nicoll be engaged as cook and attached to the permanent staff. Cd.  
Moved by Trustee Bleasdale.—That report of the finance committee be accepted, the bank book and ledger having been examined and found correct. Cd.  
The matron's report for the month of December last was as follows:  
Patients admitted ..... 51  
Patients discharged ..... 56  
Deaths ..... 2  
Classification of patients:  
Medical ..... 29  
Surgical ..... 7  
Obstetrical ..... 6  
Infants born ..... 7  
Total hospital days ..... 645  
Moved by Trustee Gould.—That the sum of \$2.00 be refunded to E. J. Kennedy of Irma. Cd.  
Moved by Trustee Gould.—That accounts amounting to \$1,649.87 be accepted and cheques issued for same. Cd.  
The board then adjourned.

## THE CAMROSE BY-ELECTION

(From the Viking News)  
On February 6th, the electors of Camrose provincial constituency will have their choice of voting either for a Social Credit candidate or a C.C.F. candidate. Mr. C. I. Sayers, of Meeting Creek was chosen by the Social Credit nominating board to contest the by-election, while Mr. Chester Ronning, of Camrose, was the choice of a C.C.F. nominating convention conducted in a democratic way. The outcome means little to the Social Credit government majority except one member less in the house. To the C.C.F. in Alberta it means much. At present the C.C.F. has no representation in the house.

## CHURCH NOTICES AND ACTIVITIES

**UNITED CHURCH**  
Sunday, January 25  
Owing to weather and road conditions the services for the above date will be confined to the Irma church.  
Irma—Sunday school 11 a.m.  
Public worship 7:30 p.m.  
Mid-week meeting in the church on Wednesday evening at the usual hour. Everyone cordially invited.  
**FULL GOSPEL SERVICES**  
Sunday Services  
Ross—1:30 p.m.  
Roseberry—4 p.m.  
Irma—7:30 p.m. (R. Fuder home).  
A cordial welcome to all.  
**ANGELICAN CHURCH**  
There will be celebration of Holy Communion in St. Mary's Church on Sunday, January 26th, at 2:30 p.m.

## CARD OF THANKS

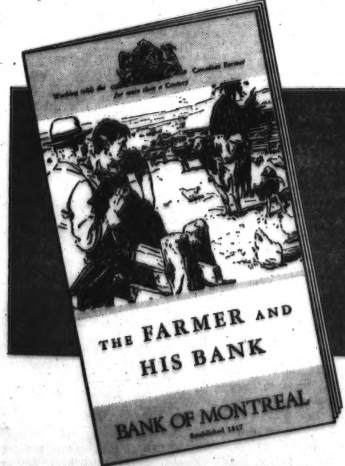
We wish to express our appreciation for the acts of kindness, sympathy, beautiful floral tributes and memorial gifts received from our kind neighbors and friends during our bereavement in the loss of our beloved husband and father. We especially thank the Irma club and the members of the Victory Masonic Lodge for all their help.  
Mrs. J. F. James and Family.

## CARD OF THANKS

It is with a feeling of gratitude that we wish to thank our many friends and well-wishers who so generously co-operated to lighten our burden in our present trying time. We would like especially to thank Mr. Herbert for his strenuous efforts on our behalf.  
Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

Camrose constituency is known only to themselves. From the outside looking in, it seems to us that Mr. Ronning is still running ahead of the field. He is a well known aggressive campaigner, imbued with the spirit of the crusader for a cause he believes to be just, and his colleagues are just as vociferous as he is. From reports we understand that Mr. Sayers is more of the retiring type but well thought of in the constituency and has been a consistent supporter of the Aberhart policies since 1935 or thereabouts. His going to be an interesting election. From this corner it looks like Ronning should come under the wire by a nose.  
"Liberty is the one thing you can't have unless you give it to others."—William Allen White.  
"There is a new and decisive force in the human race more powerful than all the tyrants. It is the force of massed thought provoked by spoken words."—Robert E. Sherwood.

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## The Park Lane Mystery

By Edgar Wallace

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CHAPTER XXX—Continued

"He was my only playmate, and I think that he was genuinely fond of me, and that he pitied what he believed to be my weakness of intellect. Mrs. Edwins' ambition for her son was unbounded; she strived and scraped to send him to a preparatory boarding school, and when he got a little older (as he told me himself) she prevailed upon Miss Mercy to give her the money to send him to college.

"Let me say here that I owe most of my information on the subject to Marling himself—it seems strange to call him by a name which I have borne so long! At that time my mind was undoubtedly clouded. He has described me as a morose, timid boy, who spent day after day in a brooding isolation, and I should say that that description was an accurate one.

"The fear of her relatives discovering my condition of mind was a daily torment to Miss Mercy. She shut up her house and went to live at a smaller house in the country, and whenever her sisters showed the slightest inclination to visit her, she would move to a distant town. For three years I saw very little of Marling, and then one day Miss Mercy told me that she was engaging a tutor for me. I disliked the idea, but when she said it was Marling I was overjoyed. He came to Bournehouse to see us, and I should not have known him, for he had grown a long golden beard, of which he was very proud. We had long talks together, and he told me of some of his adventures and of the scrapes into which he had got.

"I was the only person in whom he confided, and I know the full story of Miss Gibbons as she was called. He had met her when she was a pretty housemaid in the service of the senior proctor. The courtship followed a tumultuous course, and then one day there arrived at Oxford the girl's mother, who threatened that unless Marling married her daughter, she would inform the senior proctor. This threat, if it were carried out, meant ruin to him, the end of Miss Mercy's patronage, the destruction of all his mother's hopes, and it was not surprising that he took the easiest course. They were married secretly at Cheltenham and lived together in a little village just outside the city of Oxford.

"Of course the marriage was disastrous for Marling. He did not love the girl; she hated him with all the malignity that a common and ignorant person can have for one whose very refinement emphasized her own uncouthness. The worst of it was that he left her. Three years later he learned from her mother that she was dead. In point of fact that was not true. She had contracted a bigamous marriage with a man named Smith, who was eventually killed in the war. You have told me, Mr. Carlton, that you found no marriage certificate in her handbag.

"By this time, owing to circumstances which I will explain, Marling had the handling of great wealth. He was queerly generous, but the pound a week which he allowed the mother was, I suspect, in the nature of a thanksgiving for freedom. The money came regularly to her every quarter, and while she suspected who the sender was, she had no proof and was content to go on enjoying her allowance, which was afterwards improperly diverted to her daughter, who, on the death of her mother, assumed her maiden name.

"Marling came to be my tutor, and I honestly think that under his care—I would almost say affectionate guidance—I improved in health, though I was far from well, when Miss Mercy had her seizure. In my crazy despair I remember I accused Marling of killing her, for I saw him pour the contents of a green bottle into a glass and force it between Miss Mercy's pale lips. I am convinced that I did him a grave injustice, though he never ceased to remind me of that green bottle. I think it was of his treatment to

keep my illusion before my eyes until I recognized my error.

"On the death of Miss Mercy I was so ill that I had to be locked in my room, and it was then, I think, that Mrs. Edwins proposed the plan which was afterwards adopted, namely, the substitution of Marling for myself. You will be surprised and incredulous when I tell you that Marling never forgave the woman for inducing him to take that step. He told me once that she had put him into greater bondage than that in which I was held. From his point of view I think he was sincere. I was hurried away to a cottage in Berkshire, and I knew nothing of the substitution until months afterwards, when I was brought to Park Lane. It was then that he told me my name was Marling, and that he was Harlow. He used to repeat this almost like a lesson, until I became used to the change.

"I don't think I cared very much; I had a growing interest in books, and he was tireless in his efforts to interest me. He claimed, with truth, that whatever imprisonment I suffered, he saved me from imbecility. The quiet of the life, the carefree nature of it, the comfort and mental satisfaction which it gave me, were the finest treatment I could have possibly had. He made me acquainted with the pathological side of my case, read me books that explained just why I was living the very best possible life—again I say, he was sincere.

"Gradually the cloud seemed to dissipate from my mind. I could think logically and in sequence; I could understand what I was reading. More and more the extent of the wrong he had done me became apparent. He never disguised the fact, if the truth be told. Indeed, he disguised nothing! He took me completely into his confidence. I knew every coup he engineered in every detail.

"One night he returned to the house terribly agitated, and told me that he had heard the voice of his wife! He had been to the flat of a man called Ingle, and while he was there two charwomen had come in and he had recognized the voice of one and had swooned.

"He was engaged at that time with Ingle in manoeuvring an amazing swindle. It was none other than the impersonation of the Foreign Minister by Ingle, who was a brilliant actor. The plot was to get the Minister to Park Lane, where he would be drugged and his place taken by Ingle, who, to make himself perfect in the part, had spent a week examining cinematograph pictures of Sir Joseph Layton. In this way he had familiarized himself with Sir Joseph's mannerisms, and had paid one stealthy visit to a public meeting which Sir Joseph had addressed, in order to study his voice. The plan worked. Sir Joseph went into a room with Marling, drank a glass of wine, and was immediately knocked out—I think that is the expression, Ingle waited behind the door already made up, and Marling told me he bore a striking resemblance to the Minister. He went out from the house, drove to the House of Commons, and delivered a war speech which brought the markets tumbling down.

"But before this happened there was a tragedy at 704, Park Lane. Apparently, when Marling approached Ingle the actor-convict had been in some doubt as to whether he should go to meet him. Ingle at first suspected a trap and wrote a letter declining to meet. Afterward he changed his mind, but left the letter on his writing desk, and the charwoman, Mrs. Gibbons, seeing the envelope was marked 'Urgent, by hand,' came to the conclusion that her master had gone out and forgotten the letter, and with a desire to oblige, she herself brought it to Park Lane. Marling opened the door to her and had the shock of his life, for immediately he recognized her. He invited her into the library and there she slipped on the parquet floor and fell, cutting her head against the corner of the desk. They made every effort to restore her, but I can vouch for. They even brought me down to help, but she was dead, and there arose the question of disposing of the body.

"Marling never ceased to blame himself that he did not call in the police immediately and tell them the truth, but he was afraid to have his name mentioned in connection with a man who had recently been discharged from a convict prison, and in the end he and Mrs. Edwins took the body to Hyde Park and dropped it in the water. You tell me there were signs of a struggle, but that is not so. The footprints were Mrs. Edwins' and not the dead woman's. 'Marling never saw the letter which the woman brought, and which must have fallen from her pocket when they were carrying her down the slope toward the canal. He told

## PRINCESS JULIANA VISITS THE WHITE HOUSE



This is a new portrait of Her Royal Highness, Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, and her daughters, Princess Beatrix, left, and Princess Irene. They paid a recent visit to President and Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House.

me all about it afterward, and I know he spoke the truth."

"Here Mr. Harlow's narrative was interrupted for two hours as he showed some sign of fatigue. It was resumed at his own request just before midnight.

"Marling regarded his crimes as jokes, and always referred to them as such. It is, I believe, a common expression among the criminal classes and one which took his fancy. The great 'joke' about Sir Joseph was the plan to restore him to his friends. I think it was partly Ingle's idea, and was as follows. Two silver minstrel suits were procured, exactly alike, and it was arranged that Ingle, at a certain hour, should get himself locked up and conveyed to what Marling invariably called 'the lifeboat'."

"Lifeboat?" interrupted Jim quickly. "Why did he call it that?"

"I will tell you," resumed Mr. Harlow. "You will remember that he presented a police station which he had built only about 50 yards from this house; he made this presentation with only one idea in his mind; if he were arrested it was to that police station he would be taken!"

"Sir Joseph lay under the influence of drugs in the room off the underground garage until the moment arrived, when he was stripped, his upper lip shaved, and his face covered with the black make-up of a minstrel. He was then taken through the little door, which you say you have seen, along a bricked passage to one of the stairways beneath the cells, and the substitution was an easy matter. Every bed in every cell lifts up, if you know the secret, like the lid of a box, and beneath each bed is a flight of steps leading to the passage and to the garage."

Jim flew into Every street station.

## REUNION IN WAR-TORN LONDON



Separated from one another and from their parents when a school in which all were waiting was struck by a bomb, brothers and sisters of a London family stage a joyous reunion, above. Alex. Smith, 17, and Tommy, 13, were sent to different districts after being pulled out of the demolished building. The two little girls, Mary, 3, and Rosemary, eight months, were thought to be dead. The mother and grandmother were killed. The father, away at sea, knows nothing of the tragedy.

## Need Perfect Vision

### Men Of Air Force With Defective Vision Must Stay On Ground

Men with defective vision who manage to enlist in the Royal Canadian Air Force can take it for granted they'll spend their time on the ground, Group Capt. R. W. Ryan said at Ottawa.

Group Capt. Ryan, brought to Canada from England to organize the R.C.A.F.'s new medical service, said perfect vision is one of the prime requisites to air service.

He didn't think much of the reports that tests at Fort Sill, Okla., have proven color blind men can see through camouflage better than men with normal vision. He said he had sufficient authentic evidence to convince him that wasn't so.

And as far as the air force is concerned, "color receptivity is vitally important to a pilot or air observer."

"He must be able to distinguish colors perfectly," Group Capt. Ryan said. "He has to be able to pick out the different signals and lighting arrangements on landing fields."

That's the reason color-blindness doesn't do above the ground in the R.C.A.F. But anyway, even if the Fort Sill tests were accurate, the air force has an even better way to distinguish camouflaged objects.

By using a simple instrument which might be termed the "spectacles" of a plane, camouflage can be spotted. The instrument blots out different colors and makes the whole camouflaged object stand out clearly.

Group Capt. Ryan doesn't think much of the type of camouflage used on buildings and automobiles in Britain. He pointed out that such camouflage is applied by commercial concerns or individuals, not by the army, and "it's just a waste of paint."

"But if it makes the people who use it feel happy and safe, it has its psychological value," he said.

Group Capt. Ryan said military officials are using new methods of camouflage, but he didn't disclose any of the secret details.

## GEMS OF THOUGHT

### PERSEVERANCE

Less good from genius we may find Than that from perseverance flowing.

So have good grit at hand to grind, And keep the mill a-going.

—Thomas Dunn English.

Never despair; but if you do, work on in despair.—Burke.

The lives of great men and women are miracles of patience and perseverance.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Every noble work is at first impossible.—Carlyle.

To think we are able is almost to be so; to determine upon attainment is frequently attainment itself; earnest resolution has often seemed to have about it almost a savor of omnipotence.—Smiles.

If the action be of worth that I take in hand, neither shall an accident discourage me, nor a good one make me careless.—Owen Feltham.

## Plan Meets Approval

### President Roosevelt's Idea Of Paying For Goods By Goods

Labor Minister Ernest Bevin declared that "President Roosevelt's great idea of paying for goods by goods will not only help to win the war, but take us out of the hands of speculators at the end of the war."

This reference to the president's plan to lend arms to Britain was made in a luncheon address to the Foreign Press Association. Mr. Bevin added:

"It is an indication that the president accepts the view that the greatest contribution to international stabilization at the end of the war is labor and effort and not speculation and manipulation of currency."

The minister said the Royal Navy now is doing work which five navies did in the first Great War, and that everyone has now to be on one side or the other in the conflict. There can be no neutrality between right and wrong.

At this moment, Britain and her allies are in the front line fighting this battle, he said.

Great Britain is fighting for a principle which, when established finally, will govern the conduct of humanity for generations to come.

"The commonwealth idea on a basis of equality must be the basic principle of future security and prosperity in the world."

The angle at which the moon appears to be tipped has nothing to do with the weather.

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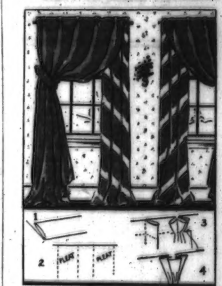
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First fold top of curtain over twice for heading (Diagram 1). Then mark off for pleats and spaces between (2).

Now bring ends of each pleat together, stitch from top to base of heading, and then press pleat in, forming two additional folds and fastening them as shown (3). For trimmer pleats, just flatten and stitch (4).

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Nothing annoys a woman like having her friends drop in unexpectedly to find the house looking as it usually does.

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## STANDING OF LANDS FINALLY ACQUIRED BY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

	No. of parcels	Ass'd. Value	Mun. & Prov. Costs	School	Hospital	Total Taxes
At Dec. 31, '39	40	30130	4627.82	2888.44	7545.64	404.91 16566.81
Add: 1940 Penalties On above			381.30	313.40	680.73	38.82 1264.25
Add: 1940 Levy on above			407.82	87.61	345.38	42.96 883.77
Add: Acquired during 1940	14	15940	1955.19	773.71	1805.26	120.99 4745.15
Total	54	49070	7222.13	5163.16	10867.01	607.98 23449.98
Deduct Taxes			150.04	29.58	128.04	17.49 338.15
(See note below)	1	1000	300.87	105.15	577.29	31.02 1014.33
Standing at Dec. 31st, 1940.	53	48070	6768.22	5038.43	9551.68	649.17 22907.50

NOTE—On this line show number of parcels actually sold during 1940, with their assessed value and the amount of taxes from both sales and leases actually applied on taxes during 1940. The above statements do not include Deferred Payments.

## LANDS UNDER THE TAX RECOVERY ACT

Total Number of Parcels Finally Acquired by M.D.	53
Number under tax notification	219
Date last tax notification registered, Apr. 1, 1940	
Date of last public sale, Nov. 8, 1940	
Number of parcels sold at public sale in 1940	Nil
Number of parcels sold at private sale in 1940	5
Number of parcels leased under Sec. 26 in 1940	32
Total parcels dealt with in 1940	38
Receipts from lands sold by private sale in 1940	\$276.00
Receipts from lands leased in 1940	78.91
Receipts in 1940 from lands sold at private sale prior to 1940	306.50
Receipts in 1940 from lands leased prior to 1940	452.92
TOTAL Tax Sale and Lease Receipts accounted for	\$1014.33

Above Receipts have been credited as follows:  
Credited to Municipal Account 300.87  
Credited to Provincial Trust Account 105.15  
Credited to School and other Trust Accounts 608.31

Total Tax Sale and Lease Receipts accounted for \$1014.33

## ALLOCATED FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Labor, machinery and repairs	\$3724.10
Adjustments from 1939	2266.31
Net allocation for 1940	\$1000.50
Paid for public works	\$9614.98
Unpaid for public works	180.50
Total Expenditure (paid and unpaid)	9804.48
Under-expended December 31, 1940	\$1186.07

## PAYMENTS TO COUNCILLORS FOR MEETINGS

Div.	Name of Councillor	meets	days	rate	miles	rate	Am't due for '40	Total Paid
1	H. Kelly	12	12	4	488	10c	94.80	94.80
2	A. E. Blakley	12	12	4	144	10c	62.40	62.40
3	R. D. Smallwood, reeve	12	12	6	120	10c	72.00	72.00
4	W. Stewart	12	12	4	84	10c	56.40	56.40
5	W. T. Steele	11	11	4	196	10c	63.80	63.80
6	J. D. Collette	12	12	4	164	10c	74.40	74.40
Total		71	71		1278		428.80	428.80

## PAYMENTS TO COUNCILLORS For SUPERVISION, Sec. 61(4) M.D. Act

Div.	Name of Councillor	meets	days	rate	miles	rate	Am't due for '40	Total Paid
1	H. Kelly	4	4	177	10c	33.70	33.70	33.70
2	A. E. Blakley	4	4	70	10c	23.00	23.00	23.00
3	R. D. Smallwood, reeve	4	4	128	10c	40.60	40.60	40.60
4	W. Stewart	6	4	90	10c	33.00	33.00	33.00
5	W. T. Steele	3 1/4	4	139	10c	24.90	24.90	24.90
6	J. D. Collette	5 1/4	4	101	10c	32.10	32.10	32.10
Total		29 1/4		683		187.30	187.30	187.30

## ANY OTHER PAYMENTS TO COUNCILLORS WHATSOEVER NOT SHOWN ABOVE

Div.	Name of Councillor	meets	days	rate	miles	rate	Am't due for '40	Total Paid
1	H. Kelly	2	4	58	10c	13.80	13.80	13.80
2	A. E. Blakley	1 1/2	4	2.00	2.00	2.00		
3	R. D. Smallwood, reeve	7 1/4	4	182	10c	48.20	48.20	48.20
4	W. Stewart	1	4	40	10c	8.00	8.00	8.00
5	W. T. Steele							
6	J. D. Collette	1	4	56	10c	9.60	9.60	9.60
Total		12		336		81.60	81.60	81.60

## VERIFICATION OF CASH ON HAND AT DECEMBER 31, 1940

Cash on hand as per cash statements at December 31, 1940	\$192.18
Cash received between December 31, 1940, and date of this audit	617.31
TOTAL	\$809.49
Deduct cash deposited in bank between Dec. 31, '40 and date of audit	809.49
Cash on hand actually counted by me at date of this audit	Nil

## SCHOOL TAX STATEMENT

Name of school or Division	Number	Mill rate	Assessed valuation, dollars only	Current tax	Uncollected Dec. 31, 1939	Penalties added in 1940	Total due	Collected in 1940	Discounts on Taxes in 1940	Cancelled	Uncollected Dec. 31, 1940	Requisitions in 1940	Requisitions owing from previous years	Requisitions paid in 1940	Current interest on loans	Paid in excess of collections in previous years	Collections in excess of payments in previous years
Wainwright school division	32	14	1143280	16008.94	29576.47	2006.48	47591.89	13164.17	887.08	160.02	33380.62	14664.91	109.95	14664.91	90.52	14665.28	15809.29
Wainwright school division, adjustment re Sydenham school district (Council authority March 1940, 31st Dec. 1939)	32	14	1143280	16008.94	29576.47	2006.48	47591.89	13164.17	887.08	160.02	33380.62	14664.91	109.95	14664.91	90.52	14665.28	15809.29

## REPORTING SCHOOLS

Name of Reporting S.D.	No.	Taxes reported	Penalties added	Total due	Collected in '40	Discounts on Taxes, '40	Cancelled	Uncollected Dec. 31, 1939	Collections owing S.D. Dec. 31, '39	Total paid retained S.D. in '40	Comms. S.D. Dec. 31, '40	Collections owing S.D. Dec. 31, '40	Less Comms.
Wainwright	32	1548.31	119.23	1667.54	108.97	12.52	32	1557.25	80.75	157.58	8.28	21.90	1.00
Irma	2455	3600.34	33.06	3633.40	783.59	52.28	56	2946.46	235.27	598.24	31.18	394.44	13.06
Total reporting S.D.s.		5048.65	33.06	5081.71	892.56	64.80	88	4503.71	316.06	755.82	39.46	416.34	14.06

## TAX STATEMENT

Equalized assessment set by Asst. Commission \$1214394.00

Assessed valuation for each tax (net)	1207680.00
Rate of taxation (mills on the dollar)	14
Current levy under each tax heading	17751.34
Uncollected December 31, 1939, including costs	29576.47
Penalties and costs added in 1940	1601.70
TOTAL DUE	45110.51
Collections in 1940, including costs	14210.78
Discounts on taxes in 1940	697.37
Cancellations authorized in 1940	150.83
Uncollected taxes, December 31, 1940	28051.13
Trust taxes collected but not paid at December 31, 1939	
Collected in 1940 (see above)	
TOTAL DUE (accounted for below)	
Paid in 1940 to provincial government and bail board	2897.47
Amounts collected by M.D. but not paid, December 31, 1940	1308.88

## INVENTORY OF EQUIPMENT

Description	No. of each	Value'n purchased Dec. 31 '39	depreciated value'n dur'g '40	Total dur'g '40 Dec. 31 '40
Office and lot	1	450.00	100.00	550.00
Office equipment		800.00	50.00	850.00
Graders (elevating)	1	650.00	100.00	550.00
Graders (blade)	6	1900.00	100.00	1800.00
Maintainers	10	1500.00	100.00	1400.00
Fresnos	26	900.00	50.00	850.00
Scrapers	6	80.00	80.00	80.00
Drags	4	100.00	100.00	100.00
Plows	6	240.00	240.00	190.00
		6650.00	150.00	6800.00
			400.00	6400.00

## EXPENDITURE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Allocated under Sec. 65

	div. 2	div. 3	div. 4	div. 5	div. 6	Total
Labor, machinery and repairs, mat's 1405.18	705.26	1683.58	1523.56	2061.16	1290.95	8669.69
Grants		54.50				54.50
Adjustments from 1939	52.90	709.60	828.55	-92.72	742.80	2266.31
Net allocation for 1940	1512.28	730.74	2393.18	2352.11	1968.44	10994.50
Paid for public works	1455.72	608.73	1979.47	2274.71	1199.73	5966.57
Unpaid for public works	4.56	2.63		182.37		189.50
Total expended						613.23
paid & unpaid 1455.72	613.23	1982.10	2274.71	1382.10	2096.57	9804.48
Pos'n Dec. 31 '40						117.51
under-expended 56.56						117.51
over-expended						62.83

## POPULATION, ACREAGE AND ASSESSMENT

Resident farmers..... 650 Estimated population..... 1400

## AREA AND VALUATION (Land only)

	Assessed and taxed as per Roll	Acres	Value
Exempt—Sec. 16, The Provincial Lands Act	158830.81		1170944.00
	6653.75		47010.00
TOTALS	165484.56		1217954.00

Number of unsubdivided parcels under taxation..... 1082  
Number of unsubdivided parcels exempted..... 30  
Number of subdivided parcels under taxation..... 30  
Number of subdivided parcels exempted..... 3

Total number of parcels in Municipal District..... 1145

Valuation of all farm lands, except buildings and improvements..... \$1214454.00

Valuation of all subdivided lands..... 3590.00

Valuation of all buildings and improvements..... 49726.00

Total assessment (gross)..... 1267680.00

Less Statutory Exemptions:—

Land..... 47010.00

Total exemptions..... 47010.00

Net valuation as per tax statement..... \$1220670.00

## RECEIPTS (Trust only)

BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1939	
Provincial Tax trust account, bank balance	1126.64
School Taxes (rural) bank balance	2645.12
School Taxes (reporting) bank balance	316.06

## TRUST MONEYS RECEIVED

Social Services	3137.71
Wild lands 58.13	91.70
Hospital	3177.83
Schools: rural 19164.17	890.56
Schools: reporting	14054.73

## LOANS

Hospital	1214.63
School	9924.85

TOTAL (Trust) \$33749.40

## ASSETS (Trust)

BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1940	
Provincial Taxes trust account	
in bank 1344.65	24.23
School (rural) trust account	
in bank 843.79	100.22
School (reporting) trust account	
in bank 416.34	416.34

## SUNDRY TRUST ASSETS

Paid in excess of collections: to hospitals 108.56

## UNCOLLECTED TRUST TAXES

Social Services	6134.11
Wild lands	41.01
School: rural	25076.52
School: reporting	3157.13
Hospital	1897.39
Hail	387.50

## UNCOLLECTED TRUST TAXES On Forfeited Lands (not included above)

Social Services	1791.44
Educational 44.96	3236.49
School: rural 8305.10	9651.68
School: reporting 1846.58	649.17
Hospital	

TOTAL (trust) \$54809.82

## PAYMENTS (Trust only)

TRUST MONEYS REMITTED	
Social services	2947.47
Wild lands 58.13	149.35
Hospital	1248.00
Schools: rural 14774.78	15635.58
Commission on reported arrears	30.48
Saving Certificate No. D.N. 4472 on a/c soc. service taxes	50.00

## LOANS

School: principal 9924.85	Interest 90.52	10015.37
Hospital: principal 1129.38	Interest 17.18	1146.46

## BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1940

Provincial tax trust account:				
bank balance	1344.65	cash on hand	24.23	1368.88
School: rural				
bank balance	843.79	cash on hand	100.22	944.01
School: reporting				
bank balance	416.34			416.34

(Above cash on hand was deposited January 3rd, 1941)

TOTAL (Trust) \$33749.40

## LIABILITIES (Trust)

LOANS	
Hospital: principal	108.56

## UNCOLLECTED TRUST TAXES AND COLLECTED BUT NOT REMITTED DECEMBER 31, 1940

	Uncollected Dec. 31, 1940	Collected but Not Remitted
Social Services	6134.11	1368.88
Wild lands	41.01	
School: rural	25076.52	944.01
School: reporting	3157.13	416.34
Hospital	1897.39	
Hail	387.50	

## UNCOLLECTED TRUST TAXES On Forfeited Lands (not included above)

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School: reporting 1846.58	649.17
Hospital	

TOTAL (trust) \$54809.82



# **RECEIPTS (Municipal only)**

<b>BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1939 (in bank)</b>		
Municipal account		\$4282.42
Cemetery account		162.17
		<b>\$ 4444.59</b>
<b>RECEIPTS ON ACCOUNT OF MUNICIPAL TAXATION</b>		
Municipal taxes and costs:		
Current: by cash 7837.45	by labor 573.72	8411.17
Arrears: by cash 5583.55	by labor 296.06	5799.61
Tax sale costs		59.50
		<b>14310.28</b>
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF REPAID</b>		
From Provincial government		793.39
		<b>793.39</b>
<b>ADVANCES AND CHARGES REPAID</b>		
Indigent relief 77.00	Pests and weeds 24.69	101.69
		<b>101.69</b>
<b>MUNICIPAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES</b>		
Tax certificates fees 20	cemetery 25.00	35.50
From department of lands and mines re leases		70.77
Commissions: government 112.02	schools 39.46	151.48
Hall		4.59
Tax sale deposits		242.50
Road grants: Gold Standard Oils		19.50
GR: Edge Municipal District		35.00
		<b>549.34</b>
<b>LOANS</b>		
Municipal		<b>8600.00</b>
		<b>8600.00</b>
<b>SUNDEY</b>		
Fund surplus		31.00
Refunds and overpayments		25.34
		<b>56.34</b>
<b>OUTSTANDING CHEQUES OR OVERDRAFT, DECEMBER 31, 1940</b>		
Outstanding Cheques		7.75
		<b>7.75</b>
<b>TOTAL (Municipal)</b>		
		<b>\$28863.38</b>

# **ASSETS (Municipal)**

<b>BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1940</b>		
Municipal account:		
In bank 1880.02	Cash on hand 67.73	\$1947.75
Cemetery account: in bank		178.72
		<hr/> 2126.47
<b>MUNICIPAL TAXES</b>		
Uncollected municipal taxes		21982.91
Uncollected Municipal Taxes on		
forfeited lands (not included above)		6708.02
		<hr/> 28690.13
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>		
Commissions: provincial 60.76	school 19.25	79.91
Hospital accounts		360.00
Aid and relief (chargeable to person)		250.00
		<hr/> 679.91
<b>INVENTORIES—SUPPLIES ON HAND</b>		
Gopher poison and weed killer	50.00	
Stationery and supplies	50.00	
		<hr/> 100.00
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Office lot 150.00	office building 400.00	550.00
Office equipment		850.00
Machinery		9000.80
		<hr/> 9400.80
<b>TOTAL (Municipal)</b>		<hr/> \$38187.51

# **AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

I have audited the accounts of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 for the year ending December 31, 1940, and have compared the said accounts with their relative vouchers and certify that in my opinion the foregoing financial statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial affairs of the Municipality according to the best of my information, the explanations given to me, and as shown by the records, subject to any qualifications mentioned in the Auditor's Special Report attached.

Dated at Edmonton, this 14th day of January, 1941.

(signed) **R. ENGLISH, Edmonton.**

# **PAYMENTS (Municipal only)**

<b>OUTSTANDING CHEQUES OR OVERDRAFT, DECEMBER 31, 1939</b>			
Outstanding cheques		\$ 178.84	
		<b>178.84</b>	
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>			
Salaries: sec'y-treas. 1400.00.....	land valuator 47.50.....	1447.50	
Bond 40.00.....	Audit fees 110.00.....	Elections 30.00.....	180.00
L.T.O. 101.00; Postage 74.50; printing & stationery 416.97.....			592.47
Rent 5.00.....	Seizures 11.80.....	Exchange 10.35.....	27.15
Office Exp. 54.61.....	Telephone 118.31.....	Delegates 70.00.....	242.92
M.D. Assoc. fees 20.00.....	Council fees (mtgs. only) 423.50.....		443.50
Other payments to councillors.....			21.60
Cartage 12.61.....	Miscellaneous 37.50.....		50.11
Repairs to municipal office building.....			117.07
Irma Times.....			300.00
Expense, delegation to Alberta Assessment Com.....			62.40
Secretary mileage allowance (municipal business).....			50.15
			<b>2695.08</b>
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSON AND PROPERTY</b>			
Found expenses 33.00.....	Pests and weeds 356.85.....		389.85
Weed inspector (included above).....			21.75
Workmen's Compensation.....			135.27
Cemetery.....			8.45
			<b>538.57</b>
<b>SOCIAL SERVICES</b>			
Old Age Pensions 405.54.....	Child Welfare 112.34.....		517.88
Mothers' Allowance.....			555.54
			<b>873.88</b>
<b>HEALTH</b>			
Hospital bills 811.90.....	Doctors 529.80.....		1341.70
			<b>1341.70</b>
<b>RELIEF AND GRANTS</b>			
Unemployment relief.....			951.80
Grants: Govt. of Canada (War Services).....			300.00
Indigent relief.....			170.12
			<b>1421.92</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>			
Labor (cash payments).....			7416.11
Labor (applied on taxes).....			339.78
Machinery and Repairs.....			554.72
Material.....			967.02
Grant to Govt. of Canada (War Services).....			450.00
Council fees (supervision only).....			157.59
			<b>9014.96</b>
<b>LOANS</b>			
Municipal: principal 8600.00.....	interest 102.42.....		8702.42
			<b>8702.42</b>
<b>SUNDEY</b>			
Tax Sale refunds.....			205.00
Tax Sale transfers.....			270.00
			<b>475.00</b>
<b>BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1940</b>			
Municipal account:			
In bank 1880.02.....	Cash on hand 67.73.....		1947.75
Cemetery account: in bank.....			178.72
			<b>2126.47</b>
<b>TOTAL (Municipal)</b>			<b>\$28863.38</b>

# **LIABILITIES (Municipal)**

OUTSTANDING CHEQUES OR OVERDRAFT, DECEMBER 31, 1940		
Outstanding cheques	\$ 7.75	7.75
<b>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (General)</b>		
Secretary-Treasurer 120.00	Auditor 110.00	230.00
Labor		189.50
For indigents		65.00
L.T.O.		10.00
		494.50
<b>SOCIAL SERVICES</b>		
Mothers' Allowance		50.50
Child welfare		76.82
		107.32
<b>HEALTH</b>		
Hospital bills		540.00
		540.00
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF</b>		
Other unemployment relief accounts		81.77
		81.77
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>640.34</b>
<b>RESERVE FOR NON-COLLECTION</b>		<b>2006.00</b>
Balance of Mun. Assets over Mun. Liabilities (surplus)		35317.17
<b>TOTAL (Municipal)</b>		<b>\$38187.51</b>

# **SECRETARY-TREASURER'S CERTIFICATE**

The information contained in this Report is as shown by the Books and Records of the Municipal District, from my own observation, or obtained from other officials of the District—and all of which I certify to be true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief, AND IN AGREEMENT WITH THE AUDITOR'S REPORT WHERE NECESSARY.

Dated January 14, 1941.

(signed) **Chas. Wilbraham, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**M. D. No. 423**

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# **AUDITOR'S Financial Statement**

**For the Year Ending December 31st  
1940**

**Municipal District of Battle River, No. 423**  
**Province of Alberta**

**AUDITOR: R. ENGLISH**

**ADDRESS: EDMONTON**

**REEVE: R. D. SMALLWOOD**

**ADDRESS: IRMA**

**TELEPHONE: 20**

**SECRETARY-TREASURER: CHAS. WILBRAHAM**

**ADDRESS: IRMA**

**AMOUNT OF BOND: \$5000.00**

**NUMBER OF BOND: 31759**

**COMPANY: CANADIAN INDEMNITY COMPANY**

**DATE SURETYSHIP BEGAN: JAN. 25, 1932**

**BOND RENEWED TO: JAN. 25, 1942**

**NAME OF BANK: MONTREAL**

**AT: IRMA**

**Is Council Elected by Divisions? Yes.**

**Number of Verification Tax Notices Mailed by Auditor under Sec. 85(6) .....65**

# **Form D, Sec. 85, The Municipal District Act**

Take notice that a meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Battle River, No. 423, will be held at one o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, the 15th day of February, 1941, at Hedley's Hall, Irma, for the discussion of municipal affairs, and that at the same place and on the same day, the Returning Officer will receive nominations of candidates for the office of Councillor from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m., and for nomination of candidates for the office of Trustee of the Wainwright Hospital Board.

**CHAS. WILBRAHAM, Sec.-Treas.**

## A Matter Of Survival

Napoleon is quoted as having said on one occasion that an army marches on its stomach which, being interpreted in simple terms, means that an army that is well fed is able to go places and do things. Conversely the army that is not well fed is likely to be defeated because of lack of stamina and vigor.

The truth of Napoleon's dictum is so universally recognized to-day that no country sends forth its uniformed men to battle without taking extraordinary measures to see that at all times the troops have ample supplies of well-cooked nourishing food. At no time in history have armies been as well fed as they are during the present war. The governments and the high commands of the combatant nations in the conflict now under way realize fully the effect of good nourishing food, not only upon the physical health of their fighting forces but upon their morale as well.

While the health and vigor of the troops is thus taken care of, the importance of bringing up and maintaining at the highest standard the health of the civilian population of the nation at war is apt to be regarded erroneously as a matter of secondary consideration.

In this age and generation it is accepted as axiomatic that, whether in uniform or not, the entire nation must bend all its energies to a vigorous prosecution of the war, which means that the worker in the factory, the yard and the mine turning out munitions, tanks, ships, planes, metals and all the impedimenta requisite to mechanized warfare; the farmer on the land producing foodstuffs to feed the combatants and civilian populations and the men at their desks directing these and other essential operations must be able to work at maximum efficiency.

The ability to work at maximum efficiency is dependent, not alone upon will power and good intention but these forces must be supplemented by sound, robust health, by physical well being. The health of the people at home who are buttressing the efforts of the forces on the fighting front must be buoyant not only that valuable hours and days be not lost through sickness or half hearted effort, but that supreme effort can be maintained at all times. This is highly important at the present stage of the war when an unimpeded flow of maximum quantities of supplies of all kinds is vital to speedy success.

### Ample But Deficient

In this country there is no complaint of a lack of ample food. There is sufficient in bulk of some commodities to supply the needs of all the Canadian armed forces, the British armed forces and both Canadian and British civilian populations. Reserved stocks of some commodities afford testimony to that fact. There is a question, however, whether the constituents of the food in common use ensure that degree of nutrient essential to maximum health and therefore maximum production.

A survey of the United States department of agriculture in 1935-37 revealed that one half the population was living on a poor diet, 35 per cent. on a fair diet and only 15 per cent. on a good diet, and by good diet is meant one containing all the essentials to maximum health. Since the Canadian dietary is very similar to that in the U.S.A. is it not probable that a similar survey in this country would yield comparable results?

The cause of this prevalence of diet deficiency is not attributable to poverty, for the survey showed that people who were spending as much as \$50 per month for food were placed in the poor diet column.

According to Dr. Henry Borsook, professor of biochemistry of the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, the situation is attributable to the general use of food stuffs which have lost some of the essential vitamins and minerals during highly refined processing in mills and factories. If that is so, and Dr. Borsook has plenty of support for his statements among scientific nutritional authorities, these elements so highly necessary to health must be restored and made available to all the people, and apparently it can be done at very little cost.

That Great Britain realizes the importance of providing the people with essential health giving minerals and vitamins in staple foods of universal consumption is evidenced by the new legislation requiring that vitamin B1 and calcium be added to all flour used in the manufacture of bread. This measure is regarded by Dr. Borsook as an "historic event in public health."

### At The Source

This same authority declared in a recent news despatch that "the cheapest, easiest and most effective way of improving the nutrition of the nation is to add vitamins and minerals to such staple foods as flour, corn meal, sugar and to some bottled and canned goods at the source. These must be added in measured amounts, under government regulation, and subject to government inspection."

Some remarkable results in the treatment of diseases due to deficient nutrition, by the use of pure chemicals are reported in the Reader's Digest by Paul de Kruif, an eminent bacteriologist. He visualizes the time is near at hand when it will be possible to make available to everybody a vitamin supercharge that can be added to a cheap diet of nutrient calories. Two ounces of it per day, spread on a piece of bread will cost not more than twenty cents a pound. That's less than ten dollars a year for an abundance of the chemicals essential to human nutrition.

In time of peace health is vitally important. In wartime it is of still greater importance. In war, health spells survival.

### Price Is High

"During a two-week visit to Tokyo, just concluded, I learned on good authority that Moscow is demanding a shockingly severe price for the pact of amity so earnestly desired by the Japanese," radios A. T. Steele from Shanghai to the Chicago Daily News. The Russians want back fishing and oil concessions Japan now enjoys and considers vital.

Four doctors are engaged in aerial medical work in the interior of Australia. When called by telephone or telegram, they fly to homesteads hundreds of miles away.

## TWO WAYS TO PAY YOUR INCOME TAX

### THE HARD WAY—

Forget about your sharply-increased wartime income tax until it becomes due on April 30, 1941. Then, no doubt, you will be rudely shocked by the size of the amount you will have to pay.

### THE EASY WAY—

Plan now to take advantage of the government's offer to accept monthly instalments, without interest charge. The offer is explained in a pamphlet, which shows you how to ease the burden of your income tax by spreading it over an extended period, permitting gradual adjustment of your spending and saving program. By doing this you not only simplify your own tax problem but you also help Canada's war effort by expediting collection of government revenue.

Extract from Booklet issued by Financial Counsel, Toronto-Montreal.

### Saving Aluminum

#### Will Conserve Sufficient For Annual Production Of Planes

Through co-operation of manufacturers with G. C. Bateman, metals controller, it is hoped to conserve enough aluminum in Canada for the annual production of 3,000 airplanes, an official said.

It has not been necessary to issue a ban on non-essential use of aluminum since a voluntary agreement was reached with foil manufacturing companies to employ a substitute and it is in this particular cutting down on use of aluminum that the greatest saving is expected, the official said.

Some time ago Mr. Bateman called in representatives of foil companies and told them all available aluminum was needed for war purposes. They were asked to take the matter up with their customers and it was agreed a substitute would be used.

It is understood the conservation plan is well underway and instead of aluminum foil some manufacturers have decided to use waxed paper. Others are turning to a foil developed from a mixture of lead and tin.

For the annual "picnic of the states," a table one mile long was built along a tree-lined street in Ontario, Calif.

They're rationing bacon in Britain—but only until the army brings it home.

It is said human beings are born with the ability to make 500 basic gestures.



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### Scientific Instruments

#### Britain Gains Supremacy In Making These Delicate Machines

A triumph over their German rivals is announced by Britain's scientific instrument makers.

Before the war Canada invited the world to compete for a surveying aneroid required by the Dominion's Geographical Survey Department. They asked for an accuracy of 0.02 inches of mercury. The Germans said it was impossible. They flatly refused to try.

Britain decided to tackle the job. Two years' special research have been put in on it and now the makers are able to disclose the fact that they have done 10 times better than they were asked to do. They have achieved not the 0.02 inches of accuracy, but 0.002, or 1/10th of the error allowed by the specification.

"We lost heavily on it," said a member of the firm, "but the research we did has been of immense value."

To-day Britain's supremacy in making scientific instruments is shown by the world demand for them. Among her wartime customers are Argentina, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

When bombers are swung aboard ship at Montreal, their dashboards carry—among much else—temperature indicators, boost gauges, fuel pressure gauges, oil pump gauges, air-intake, thermometers and precision altimeters, all of them made in Great Britain.

The latest figures are eloquent of Britain's new supremacy. Before the war she was exporting about one-third the quantity of scientific instruments sold by her German rivals. During the first nine months of the present year she sent overseas more than 1900,000 worth, an actual increase of almost 100,000 over the first nine months of 1939.

### SELECTED RECIPES

#### LEMON CRUMB PIE

- 1 1/2 cup Kellogg's Rice Krispies
  - 3 tablespoons butter
  - 1 cup boiling water
  - 1 cup sugar
  - 2 teaspoon cornstarch
  - 2 eggs
  - 3 tablespoons lemon juice
  - 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
  - 1/2 recipe All-Bran pastry
- Roll Rice Krispies into fine crumbs; add butter and boiling water. Mix sugar and corn starch; add well beaten egg yolks, lemon juice and rind. Combine the mixtures. Line a pie pan with All-Bran Pastry. Fill with mixture and bake in hot oven (450 degrees F.) about 20 minutes or until filling is set and pastry brown. Cover with meringue made from two beaten egg whites and four tablespoons sugar. Bake in slow oven (325 degrees) about 20 minutes.
- Yield: One 8-inch pie.

#### TOMATO KAREBIT

- 1 lb Canadian cheese
  - 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
  - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
  - 2 cups drained, canned tomatoes
  - 1 Salt
  - 6 Holland Rusk
- In the upper section of a double boiler put diced cheese and add mustard and pepper. When cheese is melted, add tomato pulp and salt to taste. Stir until smooth and creamy and serve on rusk. Six portions.

#### Silkworms Dislike Raids

According to the Sheffield Weekly Telegraph silkworms on a silk farm owned by Lady Hart Dyke all go on strike during air raids. Whether it is the bombs or the sirens that annoy the worms nobody knows. But whenever there is an air raid near by the worms stop spinning and refuse to work until hours after the all-clear has sounded.

One diphtheria inoculation will ward off the disease for several years.

### Life Plays Queer Jokes

#### Many People Cheated Out Of Things They Planned For

"Life can play queer jokes on people sometimes."

In a Western city there was a grocer who worked very hard and saved his money religiously, so that his old age would be provided for.

For fifty years he stuck to his grocery store. He worked and saved too hard to have very much fun, but he was looking forward to the day when he could retire. Then he would have his fun. He would have money and leisure, and he would make up for the years of hard work.

Well, he finally retired—money in the bank, an assured income, a nice home, everything he needed. "Now," he told his friends, "I am going to enjoy life."

And just 24 hours after he retired he dropped dead.

If a novelist put that in a book we wouldn't believe it. We would say that things don't really happen that way, and we would accuse the novelist of straining too hard for an ironic effect.

But life takes queer twists that are not permitted to good fiction. It all happened, precisely as described here; and all we can do is admit that there are times when wisdom and prudence are horribly confounded.

As a matter of fact, this sort of thing happens fairly often—in a little different way. Not many people who have prepared for a carefree and leisurely old age die just as they begin to taste their reward of course; but they get cheated out of their dues just the same. They find that leisure, after a lifetime of hard work, is boredom. They find that they have forgotten how to play. They find that the empty hours are depressing because they do not know what to do with them. They find themselves feeling that they had been put upon the shelf, and they grow ten years older in twelve months.

### Air Training Accidents

#### Fewer Fatal Accidents Have Occurred Than Was Expected

The percentage of flying accidents, having regard to the amount of flying done in schools of the British commonwealth air training plan in Canada, is lower than was expected, the air ministry said in a statement issued recently.

Since the plan started operating there was up to late December 29 fatal flying accidents, and in the same period 168,050 flying hours were put in. The statement gave a lengthy outline of the rules and precautions taken in the Royal Canadian Air Force to prevent accidents, but said "Canada will not carry out the greatest air training plan ever conceived without meeting with some percentage of accidents."

The Gosport system is used by the R.C.A.F. It embodies all the experience of training in the last war and in the intervening years. It has been adopted throughout the British empire and in other countries, and formed the basis of the United States training system.

### Defended Canada

#### Argument Between Dr. Cora Hind And General Jan Smuts

Mrs. A. Campbell Mackie, in an address to the Women's Historical Society at Toronto, told of being entertained a few years ago at a luncheon in Cape Town by an argument between Dr. E. Cora Hind of the Winnipeg Free Press, and General Jan Smuts, prime minister of South Africa. Dr. Hind was on a world tour at the time.

The argument was regarding the comparative merits of Canadian and South African wheat and was very enlightening, according to Mrs. Mackie.

### Pleads Not Guilty

In his latest speech, Hitler said: "I have no responsibility for the world war." This has a ring as though he was preparing his defence for the trial he fears is becoming imminent. Prague, Warsaw, or London would all be fitting places in which to hold it.

It is said that Roger Bacon (1214-1294) was the first to realize that glass would bend light rays. The invention of spectacles is supposed to have taken place in Italy around 1285.

Making a fool of yourself is not so bad if you have sense enough to know who did it.

Bren guns are capable of firing bullets one-third of an inch long at the rate of 700 to 800 a minute.

Cannon are may cause windows to shatter and dishes to rattle more than 100 miles away.

### Of Interest To-day

#### Ancient Warriors Had Underground Shelter As Protection Against Cold


In the "Anabasis"—the account of the adventures retreat of the ten thousand Greeks from Babylon to the Black Sea—there is a description of an underground shelter which has some points of interest to-day. It was more than two thousand years ago, civilization had not yet invented bombing from the air, but as a rough defence against one of man's oldest enemies, extreme cold, the shelter appears to have been reasonably good.

Xenophon is telling how his men, after long and painful marches through snow-storms in the Armenian Highlands, found welcome relief in a village among the mountains. The dwellings, he tells us, were excavated underground with an entrance like a well, widening below. There were also subterranean passages for the cattle and ladders for the inhabitants to descend by. As may be imagined, Xenophon, lingers with evident delight over his memories of those warm days of rest and safety which he and his soldiers spent after a period of ravenous hunger and frost-bite among snowstorms. The atmosphere must have been certainly warm, and there was plenty of food ready at hand. Goats, sheep, cattle, even birds were there, fed through the winter, with a hoard of wheat and vegetables, and the cultured Greek author mentions a new pleasure he discovered—drinking Armenian beer through straws inserted in the liquid. —Manchester Guardian Weekly.

### The Bishop's Preference

The former Bishop of London was once ordered by his physician to spend the winter in Algiers. The Bishop said it was impossible, he had so many engagements. "Well, my Lord Bishop," said the specialist, "it either means Algiers or heaven." "In that case," said the Bishop, "I'll go to Algiers."

Under a new government regulation all advertisements of food and drug products in Canada claiming a vitamin content must specify the vitamins present.



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### Cows Carry On

#### Bombing In Britain Has Had Little Effect On Output Of Milk

Reports from dairying areas in the United Kingdom indicate that the disturbance of explosions and machine gun fire appear to have little or no effect on the output of the milking herds. Many of the rural areas have been severely bombed during the recent intensive raids but despite this the mortality in farm live stock has not been as heavy as might be expected. Cattle have been the principal victims, followed by sheep, chiefly because of their tendency to herd together. Well down in the list of farm casualties are horses and pigs.

No doubt you have met people whose actions are nearly always guided by the fixed star of self-interest.

Seasonal growth rings can be detected in some natural pearls, a scientist reports.

Many a train of thought would benefit by a head-on collision.



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## AGENT IN SABOTAGE

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### CHAPTER I.

The slim, red-haired girl came slowly down the long flight of stairs, one hand clinging to the dusty banister, her feet lingering as though she were trying to wish a farewell to each single step. Her determined little jaw was set hard, but her face was very pale, and there was a suspicious pinkness around her brown eyes. At the foot of the stairs, she paused, looking into the immense rooms that opened out on each side.

She stood there a minute, remembering. It hadn't been many months since she'd floated down those same stairs to keep a date with Tom Cantwell, a cloud of pale chiffon billowing around her feet, they flowed in her red hair. She closed her eyes and saw the house as it had been then, saw Tom waiting for her at the foot of the stairs, his gray eyes shining with unspoken admiration, saw her dad as he came to the library door to wish her goodnight, smiling in approval of his daughter's slim young loveliness.

Where was Tom now? She hadn't seen him for months. He'd telephoned her when her father died, but there had been no other words. He'd forgotten her, she told herself.

The stocky, white-haired man waiting in the hallway twisted his thin body uneasily. "Come Nancy, it's doing you no good to moon around the old place like this."

She smiled at him wily, and at the thin, red-haired boy beside him. "I'm ready to go. I just wanted to say goodbye to everything." Suddenly her eyes filled with tears. She turned for one last glance up the stairs. "Goodbye, Dad." Her whisper was too low for anyone to hear.

The red-haired boy put an arm about her shoulders. "Come on, sis. Let's go."

"All right, Pat." Nancy Thorne, her head held high, went out through the big front door for the last time, looking it behind her with the key that belonged now to the creditors of the late Robert Thorne.

The white-haired man, John Bristow, led her gently down to his car that was waiting just before the old wrought-iron gate. She paused there, looking at her brother.

"Well Pat, I'm off to be a working girl."

Pat Thorne scowled. "I wish you wouldn't do this. After all, I ought to be the one to quit college and get a job. I'm the man in the family."

"That's why you've got to finish, Pat." She turned to John Bristow for support. "Isn't that right? We've been all over it before. There's only a few months more, and on top of that he's almost through with his G.A. flying course."

"She's right, Pat," the older man said. "It is important for you to go on."

"I suppose so." Suddenly he grinned. "Well, good luck, kid. I'll be seeing you."

He gave her an affectionate hug, climbed into the rattletree roadster drawn up behind John Bristow's limousine, and was gone.

Nancy stared after him. "Thank heaven, enough was saved from the wreck to let Pat graduate."

In time—well, never mind. But if you only let me send you back to college—I'd feel a lot better about everything."

She managed a smile. "Nobody blames you. I know you were dad's best friend. And my mind is made up."

John Bristow sighed. "Well then, I might as well take you out to the plant and introduce you to your boss." He helped her into the car and gave an order to the chauffeur, who nodded and turned the car in the direction of the city's industrial section.

"The girl stared curiously through the window at the buildings they passed. 'I've never been out here before.'"

"It's not the pleasantest part of town," John Bristow said, "But one of the most necessary. Nancy, I wish I'd been able to put you in the downtown office. Maybe after you've worked out in the plant office for a while, I'll be able to arrange a transfer."

"Please don't worry about me," she frowned suddenly. "But there's one thing—" she paused, and went on, "I'd rather not have people at the factory know I'm—Nancy Thorne." She turned her face away as she spoke. "I'm awfully tired of being stared at."

"I understand," he said sympathetically. "What shall it be? Smith? Jones? Brown?"

She smiled again. A passing truck caught her eyes, she noted a name painted on its side and said "Ellis. Nancy Ellis—that sounds business-like."

"Okay, Miss Ellis." He grinned and patted her hand.

Nancy Ellis. The name sounded strange to the girl, as strange as the life she was about to enter. Only a few weeks before she had been going busily about affairs at school, concerned with dates and clothes and occasionally studies, rooming with Iris Bristow, the daughter of the white-haired man who sat beside her now. Then catastrophe had come so quickly that it had left her stunned for days—but not too stunned to be aware of the newspaper headlines that screamed of Robert Thorne's suicide, of the collapse of the Thorne Brokerage House, and the loss of the Thorne fortune.

Rich girl, poor girl, she thought grimly. A life of schools, sorority houses, costly clothes, her own car—everything she wanted, given her by an indulgent widowed father. Now—a job, and the room she had taken that morning in a cheap rooming house. Well, she'd manage, she told herself firmly.

With what appeared to be an attempt at changing the subject, John Bristow said: "I suppose you know Iris takes her first flying lesson to-day."

Nancy nodded. She knew it very well, too well, in fact. "How do you feel about her becoming a pilot?"

"Me? Oh, my opinion wouldn't count for anything. Iris hasn't asked my permission to do anything since she was 3." A deep rumbling chuckle came up from his lips. "Headstrong little idiot! There was warm pride in his voice.

Nancy said nothing. Iris Bristow, her childhood friend and college roommate, had finished her ground instruction, and to-day she was actually learning to fly. Involuntarily the red-haired girl glanced up at the wide expanse of blue. Not so very long ago she herself had been looking forward to that same first lesson. Now, instead of adventurous hours in the air, she was going to spend her days in an office that she imagined would be extremely dull.

The Bristow company had something to do with machinery, she wasn't even sure what it was.

Perhaps, she told herself wryly, she ought to be finding out, instead of sitting here feeling sorry for herself.

"What is made at the plant?" John Bristow said in answer to her question. "It's a little hard to explain in a few sentences. You'll find out soon enough."

"Iris said it had something to do with airplane motors."

"Not exactly. The dies from which certain parts of motors are made. Don't worry your head about it now." A change seemed to have come over him suddenly, he was peering anxiously down the street ahead. He answered Nancy's timid questions as though his mind had suddenly gone far away from her.

They were driving down a wide street, with a street car line running down the centre. On either side were immense brick factory buildings, alternating with blocks of tumble-down houses and tenements, and here and there occasional small, dingy stores. From somewhere in the distance she could hear the pulling of a freight engine.

She had always dreamed, in her school days, of what her life might be like when school was over. She had imagined adventure, excitement, romance, pictured herself sailing to far away places—oh, well, there was no use in thinking of all that now.

Besides—there were still adventures, and excitement ahead. Yes, even in this life she must at least into. You didn't search 'out adventure, it searched for you.

"There's one of our trucks now," John Bristow said suddenly. His voice had a faintly anxious tone.

Nancy looked out the window curiously. A little ahead of them, down the side street, she could see an enormous dark green van moving with astonishing speed for its great size. On the side was lettered "Bristow Die-Casting Co."

She watched it with growing interest, it seemed to be linking her to this new world. After a block or so she suddenly noticed something else. A car appeared to be following the great conveyance closely, only a half block behind. She took a second look and saw that it was a squad car.

She clutched at her companion's arm. "Is that—the police car—is it following your truck?"

Bristow nodded. "Protection." "But why?" Her forehead wrinkled in a puzzled frown. "Bandits? Highway robbery?"

The white-haired man laughed grimly. "Hardly that. But the contents of that truck—"

Before he had a chance to finish, a black sedan, of ancient model but amazing speed, darted out from a side street. For a moment it drove straight at the van, and then suddenly swerved, as though it were trying to force the great machine off the street. John Bristow broke off in the middle of a word and shouted an order to his chauffeur.

Ahead of them the dark green van was swaying from side to side as it zig-zagged down the street, apparently trying to keep out of the way of the sedan. In the same instant the police car suddenly put on speed, and over the roar of traffic Nancy caught the sound of shots.

For an instant the sedan spun crazily on the pavement, missing the truck by inches. In a last frantic effort to avoid a crash the driver of the truck pulled his vehicle over to the left of the pavement, manoeuvring with amazing skill, grazed a light-post, careened back into the centre of the street and came to rest there, only a few feet ahead of an abruptly halted street car.

The black sedan, meanwhile had stopped its insane skid, and suddenly shot down the street, the police car in close pursuit. Again Nancy heard the sound of shots, and then the wail of a siren. But only for a moment. Almost before she could draw a breath, the two cars were out of sight and hearing.

The car in which she was riding had been slowing to a stop, now it pulled over to the curb.

Nancy closed her eyes for a split second, then opened them again to stare at John Bristow. The white-haired man's usually ruddy face had turned ashen pale, and he was mopping his forehead.

"You asked me a question a minute ago," he said grimly. "Well, there's your answer. That's why."

(To Be Continued)

### Those Who Won't Help

Just A Quiet Word To The Conscientious Objectors

A young man, who is not prepared to help defend his country, his home and his altar has either a perverted sense of his religious obligations or a conscience which is far too good for this workaday world in which there are secular as well as sacred duties to perform.

Would these conscientious or religious objectors defend their homes and their loved ones if a despoiler were to enter them? Or would they look to others for the protection that they were too holy to give? If they did the world would regard them as sanctimonious cowards, who left to others a duty which they would have discharged themselves if they had a speck of sanctified manhood in their bodies.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Force of gravity on the planet Venus is 15 per cent. less than that on earth, but the air is thinner and would counteract most of the difference.

An egg left white is a sign of mourning in Yugoslavia. Native of that country paint the world's most colorful Easter eggs.

Germany gets 40,000 tons of edible fats a year from coal—but this butter from coal is expensive.

Millions of years ago, camels were no bigger than rabbits.



### Suffering in China

Hundreds of Poor People Dying in Streets States Reporter

Beggars are reported by Victor Keen, correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune in Shanghai, to be dying by hundreds in the cold streets of that city. Every night since the arrival of cold weather recently the bodies of Chinese, dead of starvation or cold, have been picked up in the streets and alleyways where they were forced to sleep because of the desperate plight of Shanghai's thousands of poor. High cost of living and general unemployment, largely caused by war conditions, are responsible for this tragic situation. Official figures from July to Dec. 14 reveal that 12,091 bodies—2,998 adults and 9,093 children—have been found in Shanghai's streets. Of this number 988 adults and 691 children were found dead in the first two weeks of December.

### Navy Needs Woolens

Chief of Staff Makes Request For Increase in Donations

Five thousand sets of woolen garments for men of the Royal Canadian Navy and merchant navies visiting Canada's shores are "urgently required," Rear Admiral Percy W. Nelles, chief of naval staff, said at Ottawa in an appeal to Canadians. His message explained that a "set" of garments consisted of helmet, mittens, scarf, sweater and socks.

Since the start of the war, Admiral Nelles said, contributions from various women's organizations had met the navy's requirements. Increased demand, however, now has made necessary an increased supply.

### Canada's Reindeer Herd

Despite Annual Slaughter New Numbers Over 5,000 Animals

Canada's reindeer herd, kept near the mouth of the Mackenzie river to supply food and clothing to Eskimos, has increased to more than 5,000 animals despite an annual kill of one-third of the natural increase, it was reported in an interview at Edmonton by Pat Hogan, assistant foreman.

Mr. Hogan, a native of Prince Edward Island, was in Edmonton for a vacation from the job he took over in 1936, about a year after the herd had completed an epic trek across the Arctic tundras from Alaska. The herd then numbered 2,370 head.

### New Type Necktie

Neckties are to be produced which consist of 55 per cent. fiberglass and 45 per cent. weighted silk and which are to sell for a dollar. If we give them space here, states the New York Times, it is because they are said to be highly resistant to wrinkling and to wear longer than a good all-silk tie. It is the glass that imparts the wrinkle-proof quality.

### A Matter Of Speed

Old Man Was Very Cautious About Answering Question

A traveller was walking along a country road when he came across an old man. Addressing him, he asked how long it would take him to get to the next village. But the man went on with his work, neither speaking nor looking up. The traveller went on his way.

He had not gone far when he heard a call: "Hey, mister! Come back!"

The traveller returned, when the old man said: "It'll take you twenty minutes."

"Why did you not tell me that when I asked you?" said the traveller.

"How did I know how fast you was going to walk?" retorted the old man.—London Tit-Bits.

### GEMS OF THOUGHT

#### WISDOM

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.—Proverbs 4:7.

Wisdom is oftentimes nearer when we stoop than when we soar.—Wordsworth.

Think, to be happy: to be great, be wise: Content of spirit must from science flow.

For 'tis a godlike attribute to know.—Matthew Prior.

Men give counsel; but they give not the wisdom to profit by it. To ask wisdom of God, is the beginning of wisdom.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Wisdom is only found in truth.—Goethe.

Go where he will, the wise man is at home. His hearth the earth—his hall the azure dome.—Emerson.

### Require Nerves Of Steel

Log Issued By Air Ministry Tells What Pilots Do

This log was issued by the Air Ministry News Service for a British pilot on an eight-gun Royal Air Force fighter.

He shot down six Italian C.R. 42's (Fiat single-seater fighters) in 15 minutes over the western desert.

Then he was forced to land in British-occupied territory.

The next day, the truck on which he was returning to his base ran safely over a land mine, but the next car in line was blown up.

The following day the pilot was back fighting with his squadron.

#### Subscriptions Welcome

Tea is free in Baker street shelter in London—but patrons are invited to subscribe something towards a Spitfire Fund. The tea increased the generosity of the "customers," custodians of the fund report.

#### Dummy As Pattern

In order to build motor cars to fit the average driver, a cardboard dummy was built by automotive engineers. The dummy is five feet, eight inches tall, and has a leg length of 32 inches.

## Night Coughing

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### Pleased With Photographs

The King And Queen Liked Informal Pictures Taken at Winnipeg

Informal pictures of the King and Queen, taken during the Royal visit to Winnipeg in 1939 by a Winnipeg Tribune photographer, were published recently in the London Daily Sketch in a centre-page spread.

Their Majesties were unaware at the time that they were being photographed. Subsequently they saw prints of the photographs and commended them.

Thereupon the editor of the Tribune had the pictures framed and sent them to the Sketch with the request that they be forwarded to the King and Queen.

Their Majesties expressed pleasure at the gift.

### Ignorant About Conditions

Things Might Have Been Different If Hitler Had Travelled

"Because of my numerous trips abroad, especially my recent tour of the United States of America, I am certain this war never would have commenced if Hitler had decided to travel and personally take stock of the common-sense conditions in the British Empire and America. In engineering achievements, inventions and production, I can tell you the joint efforts of the English speaking engineers will prove to be far superior to those of the enemy," said R. W. Newton, managing director of Die Casters Ltd., at the annual meeting in Melbourne, Australia.

Contract bridge has been played a little more than 21 years.

### Scholarship

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## NEW INCOME TAX PROVISIONS

For the first time in Canadian history, income tax payers will be given the opportunity of meeting their payments on the installment plan, without interest according to an announcement by the Income Tax Division of the department of national revenue. This is an important step, because income taxes now affect a greater number of people than ever before. Nearly one million Canadians must pay income taxes this year, and this new plan has been devised to assist not only the new taxpayers, but also those who have been paying the tax for some time, and whose taxes have been materially increased. It also will assist the taxpayer to continue purchasing war savings certificates and war bonds.

The plan is quite simple. The first thing to do is find out if you are one who pays the tax. If you are single and without dependents and your income in 1940 was over \$750 you pay income tax. If you are married without other dependents than your wife, and your income in 1940 was over \$1500 you pay general income tax. If you are a married person and have children, you are allowed an exemption of \$400 for each dependent in addition to the \$1500. It must be remembered that payment of national defense tax does not provide an exemption from your income tax.

To make payment of income tax as small a burden as possible the government has arranged an installment plan spread over an eight month period. To take advantage of this new plan the first installment must be paid on or before January 31st. One third of the estimated tax must be paid in four monthly installments, the remaining two thirds of the tax payable in the second four months.

The income tax division of the government has given considerable thought to this new easy payment plan. Spread over so many months the tax does not become a burden to the taxpayer, and it provides an opportunity for all citizens to further co-operate with the government war effort by the regular purchase of war savings certificates, and of war bonds as they are issued.

## GAS LINE HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Following is the schedule for the Gas Line hockey league, and the games are to be played on the ice of the first mentioned team:

- 27-Irma - Ryley.
- 27-Viking - Holden.
- 30-Ryley - Viking.
- 30-Holden - Irma.
- Feb.
- 8-Irma - Viking.
- 8-Ryley - Holden.
- 8-Holden - Ryley.
- 8-Viking - Irma.
- 10-Irma - Holden.
- 10-Ryley - Irma.
- 10-Holden - Viking.
- 15-Viking - Ryley.

## DEPTS. OF W.C.T.U. WORK

Yes, we have a medical temperance department. Someone said to me not long ago "You temperance people oppose the use of alcohol as a medicine, but doctors recommend it; how do you account for that?"

Well, this way: Sir Andrew Clark, physician to H.M. Queen Victoria, said "Alcohol is a poison; so is strychnine; so is arsenic; so is opium. It ranks with these agents. Health is always in some way injured by it."

Dr. Saleeby, eminent physician of London, England, made this statement: "The manufacture of whiskey is the decomposition of food into poison."

Dr. G. W. Crile tells us that "alcohol chemically destroys the brain cells."

In the insane asylums of France medical research showed that 88 per cent of the violent lunatics were drinkers.

We are indebted to Dr. Robt. Jones, F.R.C.S., etc., for the statement that "alcohol creates an enormous loss to the community through destroying the productiveness of the skilled craftsman."

Sir T. Clouston, reporting conditions from an asylum in England says "Alcoholic insanity steadily goes up."

Doctors who have accompanied Arctic exploring expeditions tell us that those who used spirits and tobacco were the first to succumb to the cold. While chief sanitary officer of the Canal Zone, Dr. Gorgan (surgeon-general) assures us that after the abolition of alcohol from a broad strip of the Panama, fatalities decreased 50 per cent.

It might be permissible to again quote (Dr.) Sir Andrew Clark when he avers that "more than three-quarters of the illnesses of 'fashionable circles' arise from the use of alcohol."

Another physician, Dr. Guthrie Rankin declares emphatically that the "prevention of the use of alcohol or tobacco under the age of puberty would save the nervous centres of two of their most deadly enemies."

"Children should never know the taste of any alcoholic drink" was a statement made by Sir Wm. Broadbent, M.D., F.R.S., K.C.V.O., physician to H.M. King Edward VII. Individual quotations such as these can be piled up indefinitely from sources that rank among the highest names of the world's medical profession.

Let us take a moment for a more generalized summary. I have before me a report of the amount of malt and spirituous liquors used in one year in an asylum in London, and the amount used again in one year 16 years later. The proportion is a decrease, 8 to 1 of malt liquors, 200 to 1 of spirits; this decreasing amount in the face of an increase of staff and number of patients to more than double. Appears the medical world is developing an attitude 'agin' alcoholic liquor, doesn't it?

While at a convention of the Am-

## LOCALS

Mr. Robert Maguire passed through Irma last Tuesday on his way to Ranfurly, Alta., to which point he has been transferred by his employers, the Imperial Lumber Co.

Messrs. Chas. Glover, Chas. and Glen Hockett left last Wednesday for Ennisville, Alta., where they have secured jobs with Mr. Feero in the lumber camp.

Mrs. S. Hiyaka's brother, Mike, who is in the R.C.A.F. has been transferred from Toronto to McLeod, Alta. Prizes will be given for novelty dances in Irma January 27th.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the village of Irma will be held the last Friday of this month, January 31st, at 8 o'clock p.m. Nomination day is February 3rd and election day, if it is necessary to hold an election, February 10th. Mr. Hedley is the retiring councillor.

Mr. Sullivan, inspector of high schools, paid his official visit to Irma on Tuesday, January 21st. The annual meeting of the Irma local of the U.F.C. (Alta. section) will be held in Keifers hall on Friday afternoon, January 31st at 2 p.m. Members please attend. All farmers are cordially invited to come and discuss their problems with us. W. G. Logan of Holden, 1st vice-president of the U.F.C. (Alta. section) will be the speaker.

Last Friday evening, January 17th, a very enjoyable dance was held in the Crescent Hill school with the newly formed local orchestra in attendance. Although the crowd was not large due to other attractions elsewhere, those present were well pleased with the new orchestra. All the proceeds were given to the Red Cross. On January 31st another dance will be held at the same place for the same purpose.

Remember the hockey club dance in Keifers hall on January 27. The next meeting of St. Mary's W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Axel Peterson on Tuesday, January 28. Will all members kindly attend as we hope to plan a tea and apron sale in the near future. Thank you. January's deferred W.C.T.U. meeting will be held Thursday afternoon January 30, at 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Parke. Everyone interested in the work of this organization is welcome.

It is reported that about 60 applicants for the R.C.A.F. were accepted in Wainwright last week as a result of Recruiting Officer Thomson's visit. Word was received in Irma that Mrs. M. Christianson, an old-timer of the Irma district, passed away at the Viking hospital on Wednesday morning, January 22nd.

Canadian Medical Association, delegates representing more than 100,000 members placed themselves on record as declaring alcohol had no value whatsoever as a remedial agent.

And the British Medical Ass'n has lately issued a 4-point statement that 1. Alcohol makes the bed for tuberculosis; 2. Alcohol is a potent factor in the development of cancerous difficulties; 3. Alcohol is an active agent in the development and spread of venereal disease; and 4. Alcohol inaugurates and builds increases in alcoholism.

Nancy O. Parke.

## THE KILLAM HEALTH ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION

The Killam Health Assurance Association is an organization that provides medical services to its members at the low rate of four dollars per annum for each member, the maximum amount not to exceed twenty-five dollars yearly for any one family.

During the first three months of its existence, the association has provided medical services to its members, including operations, which has cost the association \$249.99. Under the regulation fees as authorized by the Alberta Medical Board, these services would have cost the round sum of \$600.00, and under the regular fees of the general practitioner at least \$612, thereby providing a large saving of money to the members.

The association is in charge of a board of five members, Chas. R. Nash, chairman, Rev. Fr. McCarthy, O. E. McDonald, Ernest Smith, H. Hayward who is also secretary-treasurer to the board. All residents of the village of Killam are eligible to join the association and membership for a similar scheme in the Sterling Municipality is being canvassed for by the councillors.—Sedgewick Press.

"Co-operation between Canada and the United States has become a matter of vital importance to every man, woman and child from the Arctic Circle to the Rio Grande."—Paul Wootton

## PUBLICITY PARAGRAPHS

(Items taken from various publicity sheets received at this office.)

## C.N. RAILWAYS

Winnipeg, Jan. 21—The Canadian National Railways are again offering attractive low fares to points in Eastern Canada, according to an announcement issued today by Osborne Scott, passenger traffic manager. The rail bargain, which will be good from all stations on the Canadian National lines in Ontario, west of Port Arthur and Armstrong, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, to all points in Eastern Canada beyond Port Arthur and Armstrong will be on sale from February 15 to March 1, inclusive.

## CAN. LEGION WAR SERVICES

Ottawa, Jan. 21—Canadian troops stationed in Jamaica will now be able to receive gift parcels from Canada duty-free.

This development is the result of representations made at the request of the Canadian Legion by the Department of trade and commerce, Ottawa, to the island government.

## DOM. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE

With a large surplus of wheat in storage in the dominion, Canadian farmers realize that other crops must replace a part of their wheat acreage. Flax is one of these other crops. Recognizing that an expansion of the flaxseed acreage in western Canada was desirable, the dominion department of agriculture made appropriate arrangements shortly after the outbreak of war. The National Barley Committee was enlarged under the new National Barley and Linseed Committee to carry on a program to revive interest in flaxseed and to assist the farmers with their flax growing problems.

## FARM &amp; RANCH REVIEW

(Handled in by L. O. Wollen, Viking.) Last year, 1939-40, I sold 5,000 bushels of wheat to the Wheat Board. As I still had more wheat than I could store on the farm, I pooled some and sold some to a line company. All my wheat graded No. 1 Northern. I have now received a final payment from the Wheat Pool and also from the line company, but none from the Wheat Board.

The Wheat Pool gave me 57 cents a bushel for my wheat; the line company paid me 54½ cents a bushel, while the government Wheat Board has to date paid me only 52 cents a bushel.

Surely this proves to the farmer that he should support the Wheat Pool better than he has in the past.—G. Benjamenet, Coleville, Sask.

## PACIFIC COAST

## RAIL TRAVEL BARGAIN

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 21—An opportunity to spend a late winter vacation at the Pacific Coast, at low cost, is offered to the residents of Alberta by the Canadian National Railways according to an announcement today by W. E. Dobbs, general passenger agent for the company at Winnipeg. The attractive travel bargain fares will be in effect from all stations in Alberta to Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster and Nanaimo on January 31st, February 1st and 2nd. Tickets will carry a thirty day return limit and will be good in coaches, tourist and standard sleeping cars.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL

## Viking Items.

Shareholders and patrons of the Viking Farmers' Co-operative Creamery Association attended the annual meeting of the association held last Saturday afternoon in the office of the secretary-treasurer, H. Rollins. Reports for the past year were read and discussed and the financial statement revealed that the association was in a good healthy condition. After last expenses, provision for sinking fund, and balance statements to patrons had been paid, the organization starts out on a new year with bright prospects.

Officers and board members were elected as follows: president, Geo. A. Loades; vice-president, L. O. Wollen; board members, Tom Berg, John Child, H. S. Peterson, Nels Forsa, Ed Thompson, J. P. Rozmahel, R. H. Roddick and A. A. Burnham. Mr. Skelitzky resigned as manager-salesman, and Horace Rollins, secretary-treasurer.

Again we have the sad duty to chronicle the passing of one of the pioneers in this district, in the person of Joseph Henry Cartwright who passed away on Wednesday, January 15th, after several years of illness. Funeral services were held from the Anglican church on Saturday, January 18th, at 2 p.m. conducted by the Rev. Cyril Clarke. The church was filled with sorrowing neighbors, relatives and friends who came to pay their last respects to one who had lived among them for many years. Three hymns were sung during the service, "Nearer My God to Thee," "Rock of Ages," and "Abide With Me." The pallbearers were: Messrs. N. C. Graham, Horace Rollins, H. M. Hilliker, Howard Empey, H. E. Gares, and W. D. Murdoch. Burial took place in the Viking cemetery.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers and electors of Viking School District No. 1906 was held in the Elks hall at 7:45 p.m. on Monday, 20th of January, 1941.

At 9:15 p.m. the chairman adjourned the business of the meeting for purpose of calling for nominations for one trustee. Mr. S. Lefsrud was nominated on motion by H. G. Thunell, seconded by V. A. Hardy. At 9:45 p.m. the acting chairman, J. P. Rozmahel, declared S. Lefsrud elected trustee for a further term of three years, there being no other nominations.

The Viking Elks Lodge is sponsoring a mammoth masquerade ball in the Elks hall on Friday, February 14, St. Valentine's Day. Keep this date in mind and get your costumes ready for the biggest event of the season.

A varied program of entertaining features was shown at the Massey-Harris farm machinery show held in the Elks hall last Friday afternoon and evening. The affair ended with a free dance which was also well patronized. One film of the newest in Massey-Harris implements in action created a lot of interest, as did also the news reel and other features.

Make preparations to attend the Viking school concert in the Elks hall on Monday evening, February 3rd. Tickets are now on sale by the students.

Quite a crowd turned out to hear Silen Reid Biddle give his lecture on prison reform at the Elks hall last Sunday evening. The speaker told of his experiences as a "lifer" in Sing Sing prison and how he happened to follow a life of crime until the law caught up with him. He does not approve of a prison system that throws young lads for their first offense in contact with hardened criminals from whom they learn nothing but more crime. He advocated the English Borstal system which divides the boys into three classes. Pictures of prison life were shown.

The annual congregational meeting of the Viking United Church was held on Monday evening, January 13, in the church hall. The purpose of the meeting was to receive reports from the various organizations and thereby review the work of the year 1940, and discuss the affairs of the church in general.

In the reports which followed, the work of the church was thoroughly covered, indicating an organization which has been operating smoothly and effectively. Much of the credit for the success of the church both in the town and rural districts was given to Rev. H. G. Lester, a vote of confidence and appreciation to both Mr. and Mrs. Lester, receiving the unanimous approval of the congregation. The financial report, given by the treasurer, Mr. Howard M. Hilliker, proved very acceptable, showing salary paid in full, mortgage reduced to less than \$500, and with all accounts paid a surplus remaining for a favorable start for the new year. Stress was laid upon the desirability of giving bi-weekly envelopes, thereby providing a regular income which simplifies financing.

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